

Green County Highway Committee Meeting Minutes

Monday, July 13, 2020

The Green County Highway Committee met at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, July 13, 2020 at the Green County Commissioner's office located at 2813 6th Street, Monroe, Wisconsin. Members present were: Chairman Harvey Mandel, Vice Chairman Russ Torkelson, Secretary Jeff Williams, Kristi Leonard and Mark Gundlach. Others present were Commissioner Chris Narveson, Jami Thomm, Eric Wild, Brandon Hendrickson, John Schumacher and James Wyss.

Chairman Harvey Mandel called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

The agenda was accepted as submitted.

A motion to approve the minutes from the June 8, 2020 meeting was made by Kristi Leonard and seconded by Jeff Williams. The motion carried.

The Committee audited bills. A motion was made by Mark Gundlach and seconded by Russ Torkelson to approve the bills for amount of \$848,487.97 for June. The motion carried.

General Superintendent Eric Wild reported that the seal coating projects are complete and came in under budget.

Patrol Superintendent Brandon Hendrickson reported the Patrolmen are finishing mowing and completed bridge epoxy on Wittenwyler and Gutzmer bridges on State Highway 69.

Discussion was held on bids that were opened and read aloud on Thursday, July 9, 2020 for three (3) 42,500 GVWR trucks. The bids will be reviewed and awarded at the Highway Committee meeting on August 11, 2020.

A motion was made to approve driveway variance on County J in the Town of Washington for Emily Harris for a new residential drive less than 500' from the nearest drive by Mark Gundlach and seconded by Jeff Williams. The motion carried.

A motion was made to approve driveway variance on County A for Larry Klosterman for a field drive variance by Kristi Leonard and seconded by Jeff Williams. The motion carried.

A motion was made to approve driveway variance on County KS in the Town of Jefferson for Tim Schmidt for a field drive variance by Russ Torkelson and seconded by Jeff Williams. The motion carried.

Discussion was held on a map handout from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources on allowing a bike trail detour for Badger State Trail. No action was taken at this time.

A handout of propane pricing was reviewed and discussion was held on the 2020-2021 propane contract for the Brodhead shop. Highway Department will continue with the Insight FS propane contract for 2020-2021.

The Commissioner presented the Equipment 5-year plan and discussion was held. A motion was made by Kristi Leonard to approve the purchase of one (1) Quad Axle and seconded by Jeff Williams. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Kristi Leonard and seconded by Mark Gundlach to authorize the Commissioner to accept Distributor bids, for 2020 purchase. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Kristi Leonard and seconded by Russ Torkelson to authorize the Commissioner to accept Chip Spreader bids, for 2021 purchase. The motion carried.

Discussion was held and a motion was made by Mark Gundlach and seconded by Krisi Leonard to authorize the Loader lease buyout. The motion carried.

Discussion was held on building a brine building. Highway Department crew to begin concrete foundation for building and building construction will be outsourced.

The Committee discussed potential electrical issue at the Highway Shop. Commissioner to obtain additional quotes for electrical repairs.

Discussion was held on a potential water main project in 2020.

Discussion was held on a speed reduction request to 45 mph located on CTH X, south of STH 92 to Behnke Road. No action taken.

The Committee reviewed a request from Monticello Police Chief Szvon Conway on behalf of the Monticello Community Club to use CTH C/Main Street in Monticello for a street dance. A motion was made to approve this request by Mark Gundlach and seconded by Jeff Williams. The motion carried.

Motion made by Kristi Leonard to approve four superintendents and foremen to attend the WCHA-LDG Annual Road School in Green Bay on September 15 – 17, 2020 and seconded by Mark Gundlach. The motion carried.

Highway Commissioner Chris Narveson provided information on the following items:

- a. Discussion on purchasing snow fence for 2020.
- b. Update on COVID-19 testing shortages.
- c. Update on State Highway 81 & 59 construction projects. Rock Road to begin paving on Wednesday, July 15th pending weather and expecting 4 days for paving completion for both projects.

There were no exit interviews for review.

There was no guest visitor.

The next scheduled meeting date is August 11, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.

A motion to adjourn was made by Kristi Leonard and seconded by Jeff Williams. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned.

Jeff Williams
Secretary